

**PROPOSED EMERGENCY CLASS OF REGISTRATION:
DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO ONTARIO REGULATION 137/11 UNDER THE CHIROPRACTIC ACT, 1991
APPROVED BY COUNCIL FOR DISTRIBUTION AND FEEDBACK: FEBRUARY 24, 2023**

Section	Current Provision	Proposed Provision (changes underlined)	Rationale for Proposed Provision
1.	<p>The following are prescribed as classes of certificate of registration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General. 2. Temporary. 3. Inactive. 4. Retired. 	<p>The following are prescribed as classes of certificate of registration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General. 2. Temporary. 3. Inactive. 4. Retired. 5. <u>Emergency</u> 	<p>An emergency class of registration is being proposed in accordance with the <i>Pandemic and Emergency Preparedness Act, 2022</i> requirements and amendments to <i>Regulation 508/22: Registration Requirements</i> under the <i>Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991</i>.</p>
16.1(1)	New	<p><u>The Council may declare that emergency circumstances exist such that it is in the public interest to issue certificates of registration in the emergency class. In making this determination, the Council may take into account all of the relevant circumstances including the presence of a significant interruption in the processing of applications for registration for other classes such that there is a lengthy delay in their being registered and any requests by the Minister to initiate registrations under the Emergency class.</u></p>	<p>It is not the intention that the Emergency class of registration be available at all times. The regulation specifies emergency circumstances that will cause the class to be open for issuance and renewal of emergency certificates of registration</p>

16.1(2)	New	<p><u>The following are requirements for an Emergency certificate of registration:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Emergency circumstances must exist as described in section 16.1(1) above.</u> 2. <u>The applicant must have satisfied the registration requirements in sections 3, 4, 5, 6(1), 6(3) and 6(4) of this regulation. The educational requirement in subsection 6(1) is non-exemptible.</u> 3. <u>The applicant must submit a criminal record check, in accordance with CCO policy.</u> 4. <u>The applicant must complete examination requirements and/or a refresher course approved by the Registration Committee or otherwise satisfy the Registration that the member is competent to practise.</u> 	<p>Registration requirements that are applicable for all classes of registration are applicable to an Emergency class of registration (see sections 3, 4, and 5 of the Registration Regulation).</p> <p>Graduation from an accredited chiropractic education program or a chiropractic education program considered equivalent by the Council is a non-exemptible requirement for registration in any class of registration, including the Emergency class.</p> <p>Depending on the nature and effect of the emergency (e.g., cancellation of entry-to-practice examinations), applicants for an Emergency class of registration must satisfy the Registration Committee that they are competent to practise, which may include competing modified examinations and/or a refresher course.</p>
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16.1(3)	New	<p><u>Every certificate of registration in the emergency class of registration is subject to the following terms, conditions and limitations:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>The member shall practise the profession only within the scope of practice of the Emergency certificate.</u> 2. <u>The member shall at all times when providing chiropractic services identify themselves as member registered in the Emergency class of registration, only authorized to practise under supervision.</u> 3. <u>The member shall be restricted to the title Chiropractor (Emergency Class).</u> 4. <u>The member shall only practise the profession while under the direct supervision of a member who:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Holds a General certificate of registration</u> b. <u>Is current actively providing direct patient care to patients</u> 	<p>Terms, conditions and limitations for an Emergency certificate of registration are consistent with similar past supervised classes of registration, such as the General (Provisional) class of registration.</p> <p>Terms, conditions and limitations for an Emergency class of registration, include requirements to protect the public interest, such as: only practising within the scope of practice of an emergency certificate, representation and use of title that indicates an Emergency class of registration, and only practising under the supervision of a member in the General class of registration who meets the listed requirements.</p>
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16.1(4)	New	<p><u>An emergency certificate of registration expires:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <u>Unless stated otherwise on the certificate, six months after it is issued, unless it is renewed.</u>2. <u>Unless stated otherwise on the certificate, a renewed certificate expires six months after it is renewed, unless it is renewed again.</u>3. <u>Despite subsections 1 and 2 above, an emergency certificate expires on the earlier of the any of the following:</u><ol style="list-style-type: none">a. <u>Three months after the date the Council declares that the emergency circumstances in which it is in the interest of the public to issue and renew emergency certificates of registration have ended.</u>b. <u>The date the member is issued a General certificate of registration.</u>	<p>The legislation allows for up to a one year expiration period. Six months is an appropriate length of time to allow for planning and adjustments based on the nature of the emergency. Three months after the declaration that the emergency has ended provides sufficient time to complete the requirements for a General certificate of registration.</p>
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16.1(5)	New	<u>A member who holds a certificate of registration in the emergency class of registration may be issued a certificate of registration in the General class of registration if the member satisfies the requirements for a General class certificate of registration, including meeting any requirements in Regulation, By-law and Policy and paying all applicable fees, and completes an application for registration in the General class that is approved by the Registrar.</u>	This section provides the requirements for a member in the Emergency class of registration to apply and be issued a General certificate of registration.
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